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Last Wed. Didsbury Fire Dept., RCMP and MVEMS responded to an accident where a 12-year-old girl was hit by a car in front of the Post Office in Didsbury. The girl ended up with a broken arm.

The Didsbury Fire Dept. comforted the girl until the EMS arrived. This week is Fire Prevention Week, to view our special Fire Prevention section see pages 15 to 18.

photo by Tamara Collins

Decision comes in appeal against Tara Projects' development permit

by Tamara Collins

After much debate and opinion in the appeal against Tara Projects' development permit for a containment system, the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB) have come to a decision

come to a decision.

This is the first appeal to come to the SDAB in seven years, and after the hearing on Sept. 20, the Board had 15 days for a decision.

Tara Projects is allowed

Tara Projects is allowed to continue with the installment of the containment system with some conditions including; the system needs to be installed and operational by Dec. 31, 2005 or such time as agreed to by the Municipal Planning Commission/ Development Officer; that no sandblasting be allowed on site after Dec. 31, unless it is performed inside a containment system so that there are no offsite effects caused by a use at this site; that the owner recognize that future sandblasting or painting operations at this site may result in stop orders issued if there are emissions created on site that leave the site, which could cause adverse effects on users of adjacent land;

that the proposed containment systems and addition must be installed in accordance with the Alberta Building Code and the Town of Didsbupy Land Use Bylaw, as approved by the Development Officer upon submission of a plot plan; and that the containment system be acceptable to the Development Officer.

"The layout of the town is what caused this problem and now I have to spend \$120,000 to \$130,000 to fix it," said Sheridan. "It was just a matter of the resolving the situation though, it is just too bad it is at a cost

to me.

Next Sheridan will now be reviewing with the Planning Commission, and finishing the final steps to install the containment system.

containment system.

As far as having it in place by Dec. 31, 2005, Sheridan does not see that being a problem.

"That should be fine," said Sheridan. "I just don't think other people's ignorance should become my problem. Their ignorance should be their problem, they should have researched where they were moving. I should not have to fork out all this money."



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RCMP officers need domestic violence training, says judge

by Dan Singleton

A judicial inquiry into the Sept. 2003 shooting deaths of three central Alberta residents, including a three-year-old boy, has made a number of recommendations regarding the way police handle domestic violence

The recommendations are applicable to all RCMP detach-ments. Officers in Olds, Didsbury and Sundre all receive ongoing domestic violence training, say officials. Assistant Chief Judge David

Plosz held an inquiry into the shooting deaths of Alex, Blagica and Josif Fekete. The judge's report and recommendations were released Thursday. Josif Fekete, 45, used an

unregistered shotgun to shoot and kill his estranged wife Blagica, 40, and the couple's son Alex in Red Deer on Sept. 28, 2003. He then took his own

Blagica Fekete had made numerous complaints to RCMP over a period of months that her husband was threatening to kill her. No charges were laid

kill her. No charges were laid against the man.

Judge Plosz calls for changes not only the way the Red Deer RCMP detachment operates, but also in the way all RCMP and other police detachments deal with domestic

Plosz made 15 recommendations for the "prevention of similar deaths" including the following (quoted):

· All police officers in Alberta receive training and education in the handling of domestic vio-lence complaints and investiga-

All officers in charge atch commanders, and all other senior ranking officers in supervisory capacity of all police forces in Alberta ensure that all of their members be aware of and are compliant with all instructions, directives, and policies issued by their own police force, particularly relating to domestic violence complaints and investigations.

• Police officers should not

summarily discredit or be dismissive of the veracity of potential witnesses who could possi-bly provide corroboration of a domestic violence complaint

· Police officers should not treat chronic complaints by a recipient of domestic violence as a nuisance and therefore unworthy of belief and thus not

conducting further investiga-tion, which could result in arand laying of charge

Where numerous allega tions are made by each party against the other, police offic ers should focus more on the serious allegations rather than the minor ones

 Wherever possible, all police forces and RCMP detachments have certain members designated as domestic violence investigators, so that all such cases and complaints are brought to their attention for compilation and determination of action to be taken, in order to provide continuity and a historical perspective.

The RCMP, as well as all other police forces in Alberta, should not treat emergency protection orders as a civil m and therefore not part of their responsibility, but should assist

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victim's of domestic violence in making an application for such

•All police officers when receiving complaints or statements made by people who first language is not English, realize that such people may not be able to express them

selves in English clearly. Therefore officers should make whatever effort is necessary to ensure that the complaint or statement made is an accurate reflection of what the person is trying to convey.

See "RCMP" page 13.

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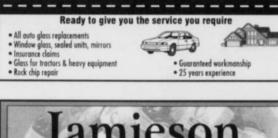
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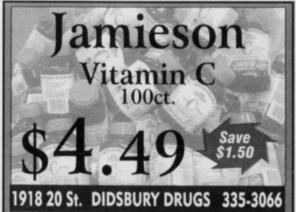
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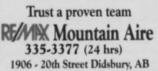


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MVC compiles list of concerns for RCMP

by Tamara Collins

Mountain View County (MVC) council has been asked to put together a list of priorities and is sues for the annual Al-berta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties Convention this coming November.

Didsbury Sgt. Kevin O'Dwyer approached MVC reeve Al Kemmere about putting the list together, and after which the list will go to the com-manding officer in Edmonton, so he can ensure the needs of the County

are being met.
"This gives the commanding officer a chance to look at the issues fac-ing our County, and at a time the officer will address them with the reeve," said O'Dwyer. They can discuss them,

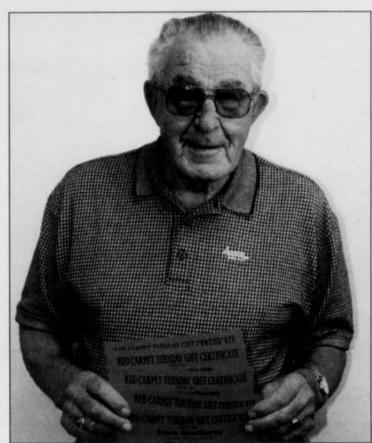
and learn what it is that needs to be addressed."

Councillor Liz Negropontes feels some of the bigger issues in the area are cocaine and crystal meth.

We have more cocaine in the County than ever Negropontes. "I am also concerned about the intersections, and the amount of people running stop signs. I think there needs to be rumple strips at every stop sign.'

Dave Derksen is concerned about the overall attitude some people have about the RCMP.

"I think we need to bring some education into our schools about the RCMP, we need to start there but be yond that parents need to start teaching this in their



Red Carpet Winner

Frank Hawthorne is this month's Red Carpet winner, winning himself \$50 worth of gift certificates that can be used at any participating Red Carpet store.

MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY

What is happening this month in the County

Council authorizes ex-CAO's severance

Council authorized the \$233,828 severance for the former county commis-sioner, Harold Johnsrude, be funded from the Working Capital Reserve.

Over and above what was budgeted for Johnsrude's 2005 salary and benefits, there was a sabbatical enti-tlement, which was already funded for the amount of \$114,900.

Shell donation goes to volunteers helping flood victims

Council approved the use of a \$15,000 donation from Shell Canada to pay the liv-ing expenses of the non-government organization mem-bers, who volunteer in the county repairing flood-dam-aged residences. Because the funds were to be used in dealing with resident hardship cases due to flooding, and the living expenses of the non-government organizations are not recoverable through disaster relief, their lodging, meals, mile-age and cell-phone bills will be covered.

Division five councillor, Arnie Shea, amended the motion, stating that no administration fees are to be paid with Shell's donation,
"I didn't think that the

Shell people expected there would be any administration costs in the donation," said

Council declines taxbreak for golf course Council declined the re

quest of the Sundre Gold Club to have their 2005 taxes cancelled in the amount of \$15,579.60 because poor weather has made it difficult for them to cover expenses. The request was received to cancel the taxes because the county has granted similar requests for other non-profit organizations

The county, according to director of finance, Greg Weins, has not cancelled taxes for any non-profit organizations, nor is the county in the position to fund golf clubs.

County refuses spon-

sorship for sports teams Council declined the re-quest of the Mountain View colts Sports and Recreation Association to provide spon-sorship funds to the Junior B Colts hockey team be-cause county policy does not

provide sponsorship for

rovide sponsorship for sports teams. Council's belief is that sponsoring this organiza-tion provides no benefit to the general population of the county, and it may lead to similar requests from other organizations.
"I don't think it's in our

realm to do this for one sports team when there's so many teams in the county," councillor Negropontes.

Council list priorities for RCMP

Councillors quested to identify a list of priorities and issues to the RCMP for discussion at the upcoming Alberta Associa-tion of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMD&C) convention this Fall.

The RCMP use these lists in their development of detachment business planning, so this process can have an impact on policing services with Mountain View County. Councillor Liz Negropontes

said a major problem facing the RCMP today is the pro-liferation of crystal meth and cocaine in the county. She also mentioned speed and collisions in rural inter-sections, noting excessive speed in the 50 kilometer per hour stretch, south of Olds on highway 2A and the playground zone on high-

way 27. Councillors also mentioned they wanted clarity on the decision pertaining to the implementation of provincial policing.
The current RCMP con-

tract in Alberta expires in

Counc. Dave Derksen was dismayed at the "belligerence the public is show-ing the RCMP."

Derksen would like to see the RCMP gaining more re-spect from those they are protecting.

Negropontes said Ser geant Bob Phillips is beside himself, "He's scare for his people who are on the beat at night.

Counc. Al Kemmere's ma-jor concern was "sending volunteer firemen out at their own peril on the QE2," where the speed is mach one.

MLA Richard Marz ad-

dresses council Olds-Didsbury Hills MLA, Richard Marz, spoke to council about concerns in the region, with his top two priorities being the

widening of highway 22 and the continuation of the 766. Marz said a major problem facing the road-works is the increased cost of oil and con-sequent increase in asphalt.

Marz also said that they put about as much money as can be put into roads and there just isn't the manpower or equipment to do any

Another concern was switching Alberta transpor-tation out of Lethbridge to Red Deer, for the purpose of convenience. Marz suported that notion and said although it makes sense, the Red Deer area is currently the largest and they don't want to make it any larger.

Counc. Dave Derksen said, "They (those in Lethbridge) take granted, they need to pay a little more attention to us

Kemmere also addressed the Carstairs school crises

'I don't know if there's school with higher needs in Alberta," said Kemmere.

Marz also refuted the rumour that farm equipment was going to be banned from primary high-

Council also requested help from the provincial government for seniors lodging in the MVC, noting it is an exacerbating prob-

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The heroes of Didsbury



TAMARA COLLINS

Throughout this past year I have increasingly taken more fire and accident pictures than I have in the past and because of witnessing what I do, I believe that the Didsbury Fire Dept. are the heroes of our community.

It amazes me that these volunteers are willing and eager to help whenever they can, whatever time of day, what-ever they are doing.

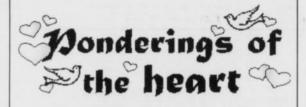
There have been times I have heard the sirens going at

6 a.m. and I think to myself, what is happening, should I get up and go see? Well our firefighters just get up and go, and sometimes they end up at a scene for hours at a

They have to witness things most people would not like to see, and they have to go places many would not like to go.

In the freezing cold or the summer heat, they are there to help. Their volunteer positions are unlike most, and I think they should be recognized for all their hard work. We know your job is not an easy one, but thank God we have you all, you make all the difference in so many lives, thank you, thank you, thank you.





by Margaret Fradley

"A Thank You"

There are times we all have to go shopping, visit the bank, do endless tasks in stores and even have time for 'coffee' or 'lunch' out.

How often do we think of thanking those clerks ringing up our groceries, packing our bags, waiting on us in the bank, or serving us in restaurants. Do we find ourselves taking them for granted? Thinking, "or that's just their job", or do we take the time to let them know how much we appreciate them.

ago, working for a great boss, in a store, were told that one thing that was necessary, was that when someone came in the door, we were to make eye contact with them, smile, and let them know we were happy to see them. I have never forgotten this. In many places of business in our town, this takes place, they will often greet you and call you by name. This is special. It only takes moments to make another person feel

better, make them feel special, and perhaps in some cases even make their day. In the smallest of ways we can make a difference. Each new day brings fresh op-portunities to do just that. What a blessing this is to others and to ourselves

OLDS DIDSBURY THREE HILLS MLA RICHARD MARZ

Province provides municipalities interest-free loans for energysaving projects

ME first! continues to help municipalities save money

Nearly \$1.6 million in interest-free loans are being provided by the Government of Alberta to 15 municipalities to support a variety of community programs and projects that will help save approximately \$225,000 per year in energy costs.

Energy efficient improve-

ments to local arenas, curling rinks, traffic lights and water treatment plants are just some of the 16 projects that were approved following the June 1 deadline as part of the ME first! Municipal Energy efficiency as-

sistance program.
"I commend Alberta's local governments for their commitment and contributions to reduce energy costs in response to the needs of their residents," said Mu-nicipal Affairs Minister Rob Renner. "I am also pleased municipalities see partnering on a number of

these projects."
The ME first! program was launched by the province in September 2003. It is a four-year program that will provide interest-free

loans to support municipal initiatives that improve energy savings. To date, nearly \$15 million in interest-free loans have been provided to 43 municipalities resulting in annual savings of \$1.6 million in energy costs. The deadline for the next round of applications is December

A committee made up of representatives from the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association, the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, Climate Change Central, Alberta Capital Finance Authority as well as Municipal Affairs and Environment reviews projects

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Live auditions will be held on Friday Nov. 4th at 7 p.m. & the finals will be held on Saturday Nov. 5th from 7 - 9 p.m. This talent night will be held at the Carstairs Community Hall. Application forms will be available at Town Office, Carstairs Library, The Only One Under the Sun or Monika with a "K" Musik, we can email it to you!

Deadline for participants October 21, 2005 - Participant fee required.

Participant numbers limited so please act now!

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People who are not eligible for free vaccine will be immunized ONLY after Nov. 1. There will be a \$20.00 fee.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

TOWN COUNCIL:

November 8, 2005 - Council Chambers, 7:00 pm

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Rosebud Valley Campground

October 18, & Nov. 1 & 15, 2005 - Council Chambers, 7:00 pm

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday, October 19, 2005 - Council Chambers, 4:30 pm

TOWN HALL MEETING:

Wednesday, November 2, 2005 at 7:00 pm Didsbury Train Station Information regarding the Proposed Cat Bylaw, Public Works Projects and items of interest and to meet with Council and ask questions.

NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following

•DP 88-05 34 Southridge Crescent Garage with waiver

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Avenue or by calling 335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the Secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on **October 25, 2005**.

Robert Wigg - Development Office

United Power Transmission Area Groups

A meeting of concerned citizens was held in Crossfield on the evening of August 23. This meeting was prompted by a recent notification from ALTALINK, sent to directly affected landowners, that a new 1/2 million volt (500KVA) electrical transmission line is planned across their properties. This line, which is the first of several new mega lines, will come from Genesee, west of Edmonton. to the Lochend district north west of Calgary. The line then crosses over highway No. 2, going east and then south to Langdon. The proposed route of the line. crosses some of the most picturesque and valuable recreation, farm and ranch land in Alberta.

The information package distributed by ALTALINK raised many major concerns with the people af-fected, and several local community meetings resulted. At the Crossfield meeting an association of landowner groups was formed. This associa-tion, named United Power Transmission Area Groups (UPTAG) has the purpose of working together with the industry and the Alberta Government to ensure that the proposed expansion of the electrical power grid is completed in a manner that is aimed at the needs of all Albertans, and fully addresses the concerns of the affected landowners and other directly affected citizens.

The immediate goals of UPTAG, are to initiate a relocation of the proposed line less populated and valuable land, to advocate the use of underground lines in the most populated and sensitive areas, and to ensure that full compensation is made to landowners for impact and property value lost, regardless of the final location of the line

The concerns of the citizens who must live close to these mega transmission lines are immediate and obvious. Nobody would argue that the new lines will not negatively impact their lives, and permanently devalue the directly affected and surrounding property to a

great extent. The concerns of those at the Crossfield meeting were real, were deeply felt, and were clearly expressed.

However, the concerns with power transmission lines and the principles upon which compensation is made to those adversely affected by them, is of great interest to many more people than have been currently notified about this specific line.

In the currently deregulated power industry of Alberta, where large corporations are planning expansion of a highly profitable business for both domestic and export markets, it is important that the needs and concerns of Albertans must remain the top priority.

the top priority. Health concerns created by long term exposure to multiple 1/2 million volt lines (500KVA) are different than those created by yesterdays much smaller 240KVA systems. The unsightliness of 160 foot high transmission towers will exceed those of yesterday's smaller lines.

And the compensation previously made by the local electrical associations and regulated suppliers for smaller intrusions upon the landscape are not a precedent for the compensation required from a large "for profit" industry when it causes severe property devaluation to the lands it passes through.

All Albertans have an interest in a sustained supply of electrical power, and all Albertans should have a respect for

the rights of those affected by these new proposed transmission lines. Join your local UPTAG group to clearly and effectively make your concerns known to the industry and to the Alberta Government.

For more information phone 403-335-8904 or email gcsmith@telusplanet.net.

Glenn C. Smith Chairman UPTAG

AN OPEN LETTER TO ALBERTANS FROM PREMIER RALPH KLEIN

Alberta's Surplus — Our Chance to Invest in the Future

Dear Fellow Albertans:

I'm sure many of you have already heard that Alberta expects a big surplus this year, thanks to higher-than-expected energy revenues. Energy prices remain volatile and it is difficult to know today exactly how large the surplus will be at the end of the year. However, I expect the surplus will be significantly higher than the \$2.8 billion predicted a couple of months ago – very likely \$4 billion higher.

Though the exact amount of the surplus is yet to be determined, I'd like to tell you about the Alberta government's plan for that surplus.

Government will use this surplus in three balanced ways. Some of it will be given back to Albertans. Some of it will be spent on investments for the future. Some of it will be saved in order to generate future revenues.

This year, government is giving back a portion of the surplus to the owners of Alberta's energy resources: you. The Alberta government is going to use about \$1.4 billion of this year's surplus to give every Albertan a one-time rebate of \$400.

Our government believes that individual Albertans can and should decide for themselves what to do with their rebates. You might choose to save your rebate for your children's future. You may have something in mind you and your family can enjoy today. You may use it to help with household bills. Or, you might choose to donate it to a charity of your choice.

But make no mistake: this rebate is not being provided at the expense of investing in Alberta's future. The lion's share of the surplus – over 75 percent of it, based on the current outlook for energy prices – will be used to improve the province for its children and their children. Let me tell you what I mean by that.

First, support for infrastructure – roads, schools, hospitals and other capital projects – will be the main beneficiary of higher revenue this year. The government's budget for these projects has already been increased by \$800 million, reaching \$4 billion for this year. This type of commitment is unmatched in Canada. Government has also set aside over \$1 billion from this year's surplus to help pay for other capital projects in future years. These are smart, future-oriented investments that will have both immediate and long-term benefits for Alberta's growing communities. Further allocations are possible once government confirms the size of this year's surplus.

Just as important as investing in the future is saving for the future. Our government will make sure that Alberta's savings accounts benefit from this year's extra revenues. Over \$900 million has already been committed for savings this year, including new dollars for the Heritage Fund as well as funds that support advanced education, scholarships, and medical research. As dollars permit, government also is looking at savings programs to benefit environmental protection, rural development, and the building of strong communities.

Giving back. Investing. Saving. That's the plan for the surplus. We'll know more about the final size of the surplus later this year, but what we know today is simple: every dollar of the surplus, and future surpluses, will be used for both the immediate and long-term benefit of Albertans.

Sincerely,

Ralph Klein Premier

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More details about the rebate program and the government's plan for the surplus will be available later this fall.

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Ward wins award for his love for animals

Patrick Ward, 27, remem bers both the disappointment of discovering he was too late to help deliver a calf at a friend's farm growing up, as well as the anticipation and excitement he felt when helping to deliver a newborn. Ward, being from the Town of Didsbury, has always loved animals. He remembers stealing away from his home, in town, to go to farms to be with the furry and feathered va-

riety of life.

"I always had a general liking of working with animals," remembers Ward. "I tried to get out to farms as often as I could (because) I had an overall enjoy-ment of being outside with the

It was this love of animals that has led Ward, now in his third year, to study animal sciences at the University of Alberta's

Faculty of Agriculture.

And it is because of his research that Ward was the only undergraduate - and Canadian awarded at this years International Poultry Science Associa-tion meeting in Alabama this

"I started getting into the research aspect of things in university," explained Ward, and it is this research that has kept him

busy the past two summers. Ward has been studying or ganic material and the ability of disinfectants to reduce bacterial populations in poultry broiler barns. "We were trying to reduce bacterial numbers in the barn so when the birds were shipped-out they weren't filed with salmonella and E. colis. We try to keep the bird's bacterial levels low before they went to processing plants," explained Ward.

Ward was supervised by and worked with Dr. Gaylene Fasenko, poultry researcher and professor, and Dr. Lynne McMullen, a food microbiol-

ogist.

"He's an awesome student," said McMullen, before explaining why Ward is such a great

pupil to work with.
"Patrick thinks things through. He asks a lot of questions, he doesn't take things at face value and he wants to know more about what he's doing," said McMullen, before adding, "He doesn't just do things because we tell him too, he thinks things through and says "why is this

happening?"

McMullen said that it's be cause of these qualities that Ward really went beyond what she would expect as an under-graduate student doing his re-

arch. McMullen and Fasenko prepared Ward as best they could for his oral presentation at the conference, but he thought that it would just be 'a cool experience to go down and see re-search that's going on and speak to other researchers and students.' Ward said he was "shocked" upon hearing his name being called for his award; in fact he said he was busy trying to open a free gift he received at the banquet, when those seated at the tables around him burst into cheer.
"It took a half-second to real-

ize it was I that won," said Ward laughing humbly. Ward would like to continue study-ing the officer. ing the efficacy of disinfectants and validating the industry's recommended methods of dis-infecting broiler barns to present at the Poultry Science Associations Journal's confer-ence in Edmonton this summer. He also plans on getting his masters degree, and then maybe a PhD. Regardless of what he does, he will defi-nitely follow his childhood passion, and work with animals

Midway School is alive and well



Midway School students.

by Chris Roedler

One month has passed in Midway School is preparing for what they plan to be a very successful year. Many events have been planned for both the students and teachers.

One of these events was the successful Terry Fox Run. This event was held on September 16 with 37 of the 38 students participating. They walked five kilometers, and helped raise over 1000 dollars for cancer research. Way to go!

September also welcomed new staff to Midway. Our new principal is Mr. Jon Knights.

Mr. Nathan Vernon is the new grade 5/6 teacher, and Mrs. Kim Donovan is the new secretary. A very warm Midway welcome to you both!

We also welcomed five new students to Kindergarten this year, along with three new students in the rest of the school. We hope that this year will be a great start to your schooling future!

The school wide project this year has all the students saving pennies for the Discovery Wildlife Park in Innisfail. The students had their year end party there last year, and de-

cided to send the money here. Last year, they saved over 120 dollars in pennies, and donated the money to the Farm Animals division of the SPCA in Calgary.

The students are also busy preparing for the annual Pie Social and Graduation, taking place November 4, 2005 at 7 p.m. This is where the school honours last year's grade 6 students. This is a great time to meet the new families, students and staff of Midway, as well as send your best wishes to the graduates.

There will be more to come from Midway as the year progresses! They are in fact alive and well in the community.





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Harvest season is also rat-sighting season

Fall is the time when many rodent species are on the move in search of winter quarters and new territory. It's also a time when Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development receives the greatest number of suspect rat sightings.

"Young muskrats, pocket gophers, ground squirrels and even mice are often misidentified as Norway rats," says John Bourne, provincial vertebrate pest specialist with Alberta Agriculture, Vermillion.

Young rodents leave the family unit to seek new territory in late summer and early fall. Unfortunately, this often lands the naive, relatively clueless creatures into some very unlikely settings. Young muskrats crossing roadways at dusk

or juvenile gophers, ground squirrels and muskrats in dimly lit garages, lumber yards, vacant lots, on sidewalks or curbs lead people to believe that the creatures must be rats.

"Misidentifying rats happens for many reasons, but mostly because people don't know what a Norway rat looks like," adds Bourne. "In spite of the similarities common to all small rodents, there are many great differences between our native rodents and Norway rats.

An adult Norway rat is not a small rodent. Adults can weigh up to one pound and measure over 15 inches in length, which includes a six to seven inch tail. A young muskrat is almost exactly the same size and weight, but it will appear larger because of its soft, thick undercoat.

"The distinguishing features of a Norway rat, apart from its size, is the cylindrical or rope-like tapered tail that is nearly as long as the body and is covered with short bristly hairs.

short bristly hairs.

Another major feature is the rat's coloring; the underbelly is whitish or buff while the sides and back are distinctly tan or brownish in color. The hair is short with no undercoat or guard hairs. Facial whiskers are long. All four feet are quite small and have very small claws that are pinkish in colour; the upper sides of the feet are sparsely covered with fine white hair. Rats do not have webbing between the toes."

Many calls to report rats are based not on actual sightings of a rodent, but on telltale signs such as droppings or unidentified rodent remains. Norway rat droppings are unique. They are best described as the size and shape of a black olive pit

(1/2 to 3/4 inch long), shiny black in color and blunt at both ends. Older droppings fade and turn a greyish color within a few months.

"The most important steps to take in reporting a suspicious rodent is to contact an Alberta Agriculture office as soon as possible and, where applicable, preserve as much evidence, such as animal remains, if possible," says Bourne.

To report a suspicious rodent sighting, call (780) 853-8225, toll free in Alberta by dialling 310-000 first, or call Alberta Ag-Info Centre at 1-866-882-7677.

Farmers can also call their municipal agricultural fieldman, by-law enforcement officer or Fish and Wildlife officer to report a rat sighting. If rats are identified and confirmed, Alberta Agriculture should be contacted for follow-up ac-



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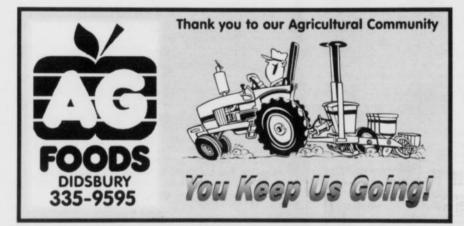
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The most severe farm tragedies often involve machinery. Missing guards and shields, failure to recognize hazards, and careless operation are common factors in a majority of farm equipment-related injuries.

Safe completion of any task depends on knowledge, alertness and hazard awareness. Here are a few tips that will help make harvest season a safe one for the entire family:

- carry out pre-season maintenance and repair several weeks before harvest
- clear plugged equipment ly after the power is turned off
- secure all guards and shields before equipment is started
- · ensure all equipment is marked properly for road transportation, including a slow moving vehicle (SMV)
- wear comfortable closefitting clothing, including sturdy, protective shoes
- · keep children away from machinery; too many trag-

edies occur when youngsters end up in the path of equipment and where the operator's view is restricted

- · always let someone else know where workers are and have them check in regularly
- · avoid sleep deprivation and extreme physical exhaustion
- avoid drugs or alcohol; these substances can impede safety

ute to farm injuries. Fa-tigue, drowsiness, and illness frequently contribute to mishaps in the field.

Periodic rest breaks work Even a 10- to 15-minute walk away from machinery every two to three hours is enough to regain the equilibrium the body needs to minimize the effects of vibration, noise and a fixed sitting position.

Sleep is as basic to survival as food and water. Losing as little as two hours of

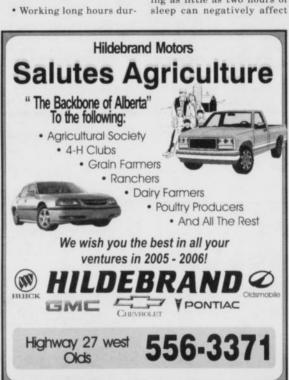
alertness and performance. Sleep deprivation affects a person's focus, concentration and ability to respond to an emergency.

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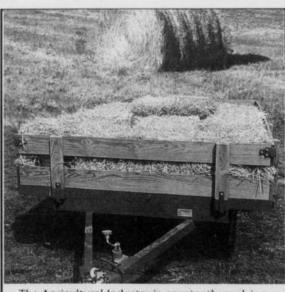
Workers need to recognize when they have had enough and turn the operation over to someone else.





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Detecting chemical residues in food and ag products

A new instrument makes it easy for scientists with the food safety division of Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development to find even tiny amounts of chemical residue in food products. The new tandem mass spectrometer (LC-MS/ MS) system allows rapid laboratory analysis with a high degree of sensitivity.

"The instrument is not cheap, but the stakes for the agri-food industry are very high," says Dr. Tom high," says Dr. Tom Thompson of Alberta Agriculture's food safety divi-sion, Edmonton. "Various chemicals and medications are used in agriculture to improve the health and production of plants and ani-mals. My job is to monitor certain commodities to enpresent, are present at safe

Thompson is one of a dozen scientists and tech nologists in the food safety division's chemistry lab involved in this type of test-

ing.
If present at all, residues of agricultural chemicals and medications occur at very low levels - often less than one part per million. tandem spectrometer was specifi-cally designed to detect these very low levels of chemical residues in complex samples such as food products.

This new instrument is the current "gold standard" for chemical residue analy-The liquid chromato-

graph portion of the instrument separates various chemicals from each other, and then passes them to the mass spectrometer for detection. The mass spectrometer provides something similar to a chemical fingerprint detailed description of a molecule based on its mass and structure. The mass spectrometer uses two mass filters in tandem separated by a collision cell. The first filter discards chemical formation related to all but

the mass that is character-istic of the target compound. The collision cell breaks that molecule apart, producing fragments that are distinctive for the target compound
- a molecular fingerprint. These fragments are then detected by the second mass filter. "This tandem configuration gets rid of a lot of chemical 'noise'," says Thompson. "As a result, the specificity and sensitivity are dramatically increased. We can detect very low lev-

els and detect them with a very high level of accuracy. I've always been fascinated with being able to detect a minuscule amount of a containment in a complex ma-trix, the proverbial needle in a haystack. With LC-MS/MS technology we can detect substances that were previously very difficult or impossible to analyze. It is comforting to be able to tell people with certainty that our food has very few residues and that the ones we find are at very low levels."

Why wait for spring do fall weed control now

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While pre-seed burnoffs with glyphosate, alone or in tank-mixes, have become the preferred to deal with winter annual and volunteer weed problems prior to seeding, spring weather may limit the opportunity to spray and the effectiveness of burnoff appli-cations. "2005 was a problem spring where cold weather forced many producers to skip their nor-mal pre-seed burnoff," says Doon Pauly, crop specialist with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural De velopment, Stettler. "Consequently, winter annual weeds flourished. To prevent a similar occurrence next year, perhaps it is time to consider fall weed control." October is an excellent time to control winter annual weeds. By the middle of October, winter annuals

have germinated and are relatively easy to kill with 2,4-D or glyphosate. While both provide good weed control, 2,4-D is the most cost-effective option and also reduces dependency glyphosate. The over-use of

glyphosate is a concern for many producers. Fall rosettes of narroweaved hawks beard, stinkweed, shepherd's purse and flixweed are controlled with 0.32L/ac (Ester 700) applied in mid-to-late October. Harder to kill species, such as common groundsel, require up to 0.53L/ac (Ester 700) but the lower rate is adequate for many situations. Other problem winter annuals such as cleavers and storks bill are not controlled with

"Research has shown that fall applications of 2,4-D at recommended rates for winter annual weed control are safe for most subsequent crops, but the practice still has risk," says Pauly "2,4-D is degraded by microbial action, so chemical residues may persist in low organic matter soils, or if a dry, cool spring follows spraying.

Producers need to be aware that the potential for crop injury exists and some cropping plans may need to change if the situation favours herbicide persistence."
A fall application of 2,4-D can

be an effective and economical way to control many common winter annual weeds. This practice has some limitations and may not be the best option in all situations, but alternatives such as glyphosate burnoffs in the spring may not work well every year ei-

Spraying 2,4-D in late fall is an old practice, but often old tools are good tools



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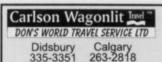
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Manure Management Regulations for All Producers

by Carolyn King & C. Lacombe

"Alberta's manure management regulations are about you, your neighbours and our water," says Phil Boehme of Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development. "While the legislation focuses more on confined feeding operations (CFO) there are also direct implications for cow/calf producers and others who deal with manure. These are commonsense practices that all producers are expected to follow."

The manure management

The manure management regulations, which came into full effect on January 1, 2005, are part of Alberta's Agricultural Operation Practices Act (AOPA). They include minimum requirements for all agricultural operations aimed at protecting water quality and reducing impacts on neighbours.

Boehme notes, "AOPA does not regulate animals in a grazing situation. Cow/calf producers and horse owners mainly need to deal with requirements for manure collection, application and storage setback distances from neighbouring residences and common bodies of water (including the bed and shore of rivers, canals, sloughs, lakes, etc.). Water that does not leave your property is not considered part of a common water body." The requirements for storage and application of compost and composting materials are the same as those for manure.

Under the regulations, wintering sites and livestock corrals must be at least 30 m from common water bodies. If that isn't possible, the operator must build a ditch or berm to divert the runoff away from the common water body, or remove the manure and bedding before runoff occurs.

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The manure application requirements include setback distances from water bodies and limits to application rates based on nitrate and salinity levels in the soil. Producers must spread solid manure or compost at least 30 m from a water well or common body of water and incorporate it within 48 hours, except when applied on forage, direct-seeded crops, or frozen or snow-covered ground. In those situations, the application must be at least 150 m from neighbouring residences and certain distances from water bodies, depending on the slope, specified in the legislation.

It is important to note that the Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB) expects existing CFO's to continue to operate under their original development permit if it predates Jan. 2002. Existing CFO's do not need to apply for an AOPA permit until they plan to make changes to the operation.

However, the regulations require that anyone handling or applying over 500 tonnes per year of manure or compost must keep records on manure handling and application practices and conduct soil tests every three years. Boehme notes, "The legislation is talking about 500 tonnes of manure that's accumulated or piled up; it's not talking about manure from grazing animals. So, for

cow/calf operations, the record keeping regulation applies mostly to operations that confine their herds by either structures or feeding that result in an accumulation of manure in an area."

He adds, "For example, if you had 555 cows in a confined area (such as pens or corrals), it would take an average of about five months to accumulate 500 tonnes of manure. That would include an average amount of straw or similar material in the manure. How-

ever, it really depends on how you manage your herd and how confined they are as to how fast the manure pile would accumulate to 500 tonnes."

If you are a livestock producer, learning the new regulations will ensure your operation meets the NRCB requirements. You can find a lot of information on Ropin' the Web, contact 1-800-292-5697 for a reference guide or call Wheatland County Rural Extension specialist Mike Sauve, 934-3321.



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by Tamara Collins

Special speaker at community breakfast



Pat Nixon, executive di-rector of the Mustard Seed Street Ministry will speak at Zion Evangelical Missionary Church on Oct. 22 during a Community Breakfast that everyone is welcome to at-

The Breakfast will start at 8:30 a.m. in the Zion Church gym, and admission is sima donation.

Nixon has been working, making major contributions to the less fortunate of our society since 1984, across both Alberta and Canada. Through his unselfish acts of

kindness and caring, Nixon has touched the lives of thou-sands of homeless people and families.

Nixon grew up in an alcoholic home and at 12 years old he was living on the streets as a homeless per-

At 15 the First Baptist Church were reaching out to the pennyless in Calgary, and when Nixon tried to pan handle from them, they offered to take Nixon home where they cared for him for year. Nixon fell back into his ad-

dictions and had to be asked to leave the house, he ended up in prison. After his release at 18, the same peo-ple took him in again and this time Nixon was determined to change for good.

to change for good.
At 22 he started volunteering at the Burning Bush Coffee House, washing cups. This was his first step in what is now called the Mustard Seed Street Ministry, also known as The SEED.
The SEED now assists over 800 people a day by providing food, clothing.

providing food, clothing, shelter, spiritual guidance

and counselling, education and a chance to start over, plus numerous other serv-

Recently Nixon was also appointed a Member of The Order of Canada by Gover-General Adrienne Clarkson.

"Everyone is welcome to come and hear Pat Nixon's story," said Marvin Goltz, or-ganizer. "This would be great for families or anyone in the community. It is a great ministry they are doing in Calgary, one of the best in Canada."

Halloween costume swap

One week before the spookiest night of the year, parents and children will have an opportunity to trade in their old costumes and get a used one for this year's Halloween festivities. Moms Time Out Halloween Costume Swap will take place on Monday Oct. 24 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the United Church in Didsbury.

During this same time an

RCMP officer will speak to the group about Halloween Safety for children, specifically when out 'trick or treat-

"Everyone is welcome to bring their old costumes, any size from childrens to adult, said Tricia Neufeld, organ-izer. "We will also have give aways and door prizes. Admission is simply a donation to the Mountain View Food

The Moms Time Out group would also like to use this as an opportunity to let other mothers now they are out there, and that they get together every Monday morning. They are a non-denominational group. "It is a nice place to sit, have coffee and pass ideas around," said Neufeld. "Just have a break." The group has plans for bringing speakers in this fall and winter

too. If you are interested you can Tricia at 335-4270. Babysitting is provided when they meet, and a small fee will be charged for that, except your first visit is free.

"This is a good opportunity to pass on a good costume that you've already used, but didn't want to just get rid of," said Neufeld. "Also a good time to learn about kids Halloween safety.



Tricia Neufeld

Volunteering, why should you do it?



Russell Amy

Amy Russell starting volunteering at the Didsbury Hospital as soon as she turned 13, the minimum age allowed, and now nine months later she is encouraging others to do the same

"I visit with residents and feed residents," Russell, clean tables, get bibs and said

"I do whatever I can, I also put clothes away when laundry comes.

Russell has also participated in several outings uch as the Innisfail Farmer's Market.

"It was great, I got to spend the whole day with the residents, I even got to have lunch with them, it was so much fun," said Russell. "I love the residents."

Mostly Russell loves vis-iting with them and hearing their stories

They don't remember a

lot about the present, but they have great stories about when they were young," said Russell. "This is a great experience for teens, helps you get more involved in things.

Some residents have even become like grandpar-ents to Russell. She loves getting to know them all.
Presently Russell volun-

teers one night a week, but in the summer she was

putting in extra hours. Now she goes to school in Calgary, but still works hard to make her shifts.

"My friends introduced me

to it, they told me how much fun it was," said Russell. "Now I am thinking about a career in medicine because of my time here.

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Sgt. Percy Leipnitz, Sundre RCMP com-mander, says all do-mestic violence calls are routinely reviewed by supervisors at the detachment.

"If somebody is not covering the bases, the supervisors should be picking up on that," said Leipnitz.

Sundre members all attend regular domestic violence courses, he said.

As far as having designated domestic violence investigators in Sundre, Leipnitz said that isn't practical with smaller RCMP detachments.

"Maybe they can do that at bigger detachments. Here in a small detachment everybody pretty well responds to whatever the calls are," he said.

Olds RCMP Cpl. Jeff Mercier says detachment members all receive ongoing domestic violence training.

"It's a mandatory training that we've had for a couple of years

"Family violence training has always been ongoing. We've always had updated training. Pretty much everybody right now will respond to a domestic violence in-

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- Kevin O'Dwyer, Didsbury Sqt.

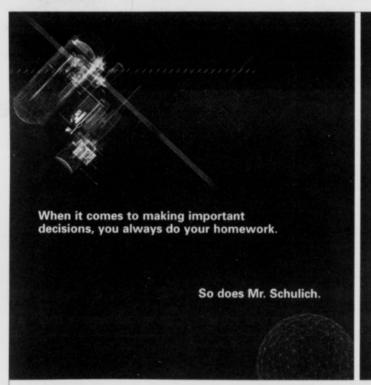
now," said Mercier. "Every domestic call that comes in is reviewed, as we do with every other file. We have a quality assurance check sheet that we follow."

Things operate the same at the Didsbury detachment, says Sgt. Kevin O'Dwyer.

"Family violence training has always been ongoing," said O'Dwyer. "We've al-ways had updated training. Pretty much everybody right now will respond to a domestic violence incident, and everybody is trained to deal with domestic violence inci-

"Every domestic is thoroughly reviewed up the chain of com-mand. Domestic violence is taken extremely seriously.
That's one of the
higher priority files that you would deal with, and that's why they are scrutinized over and over and over again.



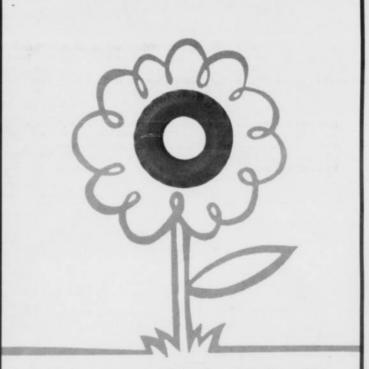


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The golf course will close on Sun. Oct. 16, hopefully there will be some nice days for you to tee up and enjoy.

CHINOOK'S EDGE SCHOOL DIVISION

CESD Superintendent appointed as member of U of C senate

Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 Superintendent, Jim Gibbons, recently at-tended his first meeting as a member of the senate of the Univer-sity of Calgary. Gibbons was nomi-

nated by the Honour-able Ty Lund, Minister of Government Services and was appointed a member of the senate June by Dave

Hancock, Minister of Advanced Education.

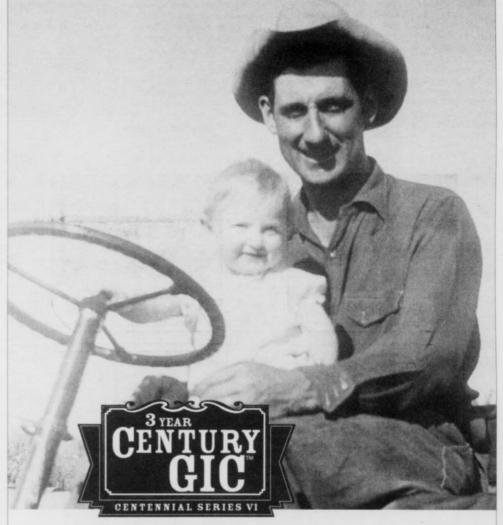
"It was certainly an honour to be nomi-nated by Minister Ty Lund and then ap-pointed by minister Dave Hancock and I look forward to working with the U of C sen-ate," said Gibbons.

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The U of C senate is comprised of 62 members including representatives of the puband employees who meet five times a year. This year a focus will be conducting a search for chancellor for the senate as the present Chancellor, William J. (Bill) Warren, C.M., Q.C., will be retiring in

the spring of 2006. "My main role is to act as a bridge between the U of C and the community at large. In doing so I will be able to communicate and provide information about the excellent programs available at the U of C and at the same time provide advice to the President of the U of C and its Board of Governors on how well they are meeting the needs of communities in CESD."

Gibbons will serve a three-year term with the senate of the U of C that will expire on June 12, 2008.



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A qualifying deposit must be submitted for each sealed tender and must be submitted at the time of tender submission. Qualifying deposits in the form of cash, certified cheque, bank draft or money order payable to the Minister of Finance, Province of Alberta, will be accepted for all permits until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 2, 2005 at the Provincial Headquarters Office, SRD in Edmonton, Alberta. Cash deposits brought in prior to October 26, 2005 will be required to be deposited in the bank and bidders would have to wait three to six weeks to get their deposit refunded if they were unsuccessful in obtaining a permit. No sealed tenders or deposits will be accepted after 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 2, 2005.

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The Minister may, in his discretion, reject any or all bids for this sale.

Only those parties who have submitted a completed application and have qualified will be allowed to participate in the sale. Only one sealed tender from each eligible applicant will be accepted for

For further information such as sale procedures and general conditions or to obtain a copy of the public notice, please visit the nearest Public Lands and Forests Division Office. This information is also available through the Alberta Sustainable Resource Development Website at www3.gov.ab.ca/srd/forests.

Darryl Johnson Senior Operations Manager



Didsbury Fire Dept. hosts an Open House for **Fire Prevention Week**

by Tamara Collins

The Didsbury Fire Dept. is joining the Alberta Fire Commissioner's Office and other safety advocates this Fire Prevention Week to remind children and adults about fire prevention and safety. On Oct. 12 they will be hosting an Open House at 7 p.m., for anyone who is interested, at the Fire

Fire Prevention Week is from October 9-15, 2005. This year's theme is "Use Candles with Care, When you go out, blow out!" Candle fires are a serious contributor to the fire problem in Alberta.

Candle fires can even cause death.

In 2003 Alberta home candle fires killed 1 person, injured 20 people and caused more than

\$23,013,946 in property damage. The Didsbury Fire Dept. hopes to use this Fire Prevention Week as an opportunity to raise public awareness of key fire safety issues, such as those associated with candles, especially in the home.

Follow these safety tips to ensure that candles

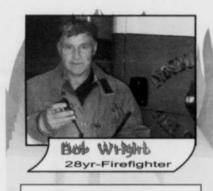
used safely in your home:

- Place candles on stable furniture, in sturdy holders that will catch dripping wax.
- Never leave a candle unattended.
- Put out candles before going to sleep
- If the power goes out, use flashlights for illu mination, not candles.
- · Keep candles away from all things that can catch fire. · Never place lit candles near windows, where

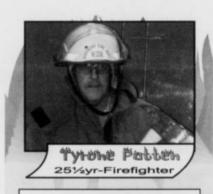
they could ignite blinds or curtains.

- Don't allow children or teens to have candles in their bedrooms.
- · Use sturdy holders that won't tip over, crack, or melt.

In addition to using candles safely, Didsbury residents are urged to ensure that smoke alarms are installed on every level of the home and kept working with monthly testing and annual battery replacement. All smoke alarms should be replaced with a new unit after 10 years. Each member of the household needs to know the fire escape plan, and all should practice it twice a year.



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Keep fire doors closed!

· Fire doors are specially manufactured doors with fire-resistant characteristics. They are nor-mally installed with automatic closing devices in multiple residence buildings such as apartment complexes

A closed fire door will prevent a fire from burning through it for a specified time. Such fire doors are said to be "rated." Usual ratings of doors, frames and hardware range from three-quarters

of an hour to three hours.

• A fire door will prevent smoke and fire from oreading to other parts of the building. This ena-

bles occupants to safely escape.

• To ensure fire doors perform their function:

Keep them closed at all times.

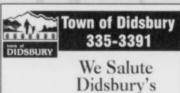
Do not wedge the door to keep them open, or their essential function will be defeated.

During a fire emergency, close the fire doors and any other doors behind you as you escape. A closed door will delay the spread of smoke and fire.









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Electrical problems can lead to fires

Electricity is a great convenience in our lives, but we need to remember that if the electrical energy carried in wires and appliances is allowed to escape it can appear as electric sparks or arcs. Heat is also a by-product generated by electrical appliances and lamps. Adequate air space must be maintained around electrical appliances to dissipate the heat. Combustible items should be kept away from them at a safe distance.

kept away from them at a safe distance.

Heat energy from electrical sparks, arcing in frayed cords, overloaded circuits, faulty electrical appliances, or incorrectly installed wiring can all lead to fires with dangerous consequences. It is important to install, use and maintain electrical wiring and appliances properly. The insulation on electrical cords can become damaged by wear, flexing, or age. Do not use any cord that is stiff or cracked.

Some clues that you may have an electrical problem are:

 Flickering lights: If the lights dim every time you turn on an appliance it means that the circuit is overloaded or has a loose connection.

 Sparks: If sparks appear when you insert or remove a plug, it could be a sign of loose connections

 Warm electrical cord: If an electrical cord is a warm to the touch, the cord is underrated or defective.

Frequent blown fuses or broken circuits: A fuse or circuit breaker that keeps tripping is an important warning sign of problems.

important warning sign of problems.
• frequent bulb burnout: A light bulb that burns out frequently is a sign that the bulb is too high a wattage for the fixture.

When buying electrical appliances look for products that meet the Underwriter's Laboratory (ULC) standard for safety.

Routinely check your electrical appliances and wiring. Replace or repair electrical appliances

that overheat, spark, short-out, smoke, or have cracked or frayed cords. Unplug space heaters, irons, hair dryers, curling irons, electric blankets, toasters and other appliances when not in use.

A closed Door can save your life in a fire

Did you know that in addition to giving you privacy and security, a closed door could also save your life? A closed door will help slow the spread of deadly fire, smoke and heat. This is why fire officials recommend sleeping with your bedroom doors CLOSED at night.

 When following your escape route, be sure to close doors behind you. This will help slow down the spread of smoke and fire to the entire building.

 When you are escaping a fire, open doors only if they feel cool to the touch. Open them just a crack to check for smoke, If there is none, leave by your planned escape route. Remember to crawl low and keep your head down. Cleaner air is nearer to the ground.

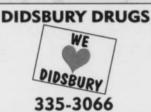
 If a door feels hot when you touch it, do not open it. Do not panic. Escape out the window or use your alternate exit.

• If you can't leave your room or apartment, seal cracks around doors and vents as best you can, using wet towels if possible. Open a window partially to allow fresh air in if necessary. Stay low by the window to breathe the fresh air. If there is a phone nearby, call the fire department - even if it has already been called or they are at the scene - tell them exactly where you are in the building. Shout for help and signal your position by waving a bright cloth, towel or sheet.























Halogen floor lamps can be hazardous

Free-standing halogen floor lamps are used in many homes. These are the lamps with the fix-ture mounted on a pole (approximately two metres in height) that cast light on to the ceiling. Halogen lamps are cheap, convenient and bright, but they are also risky. Halogen bulbs are much hotter than ordinary incandescent light bulbs,

so they pose an extreme fire hazard. A 300-watt tubular halogen bulb can reach 480 degrees Celsius (900 degrees Fahrenheit) and is capable of frying an egg in three minutes. A 500watt bulb uses more energy and can reach nearly 590 degrees Celsius (1,100 degrees Fahrenheit) roughly three-and-a-half times the temperature of a typical 150-watt incandescent bulb, and fourand-a-half-times that of a 75-watt incandescent

Any household items such as nearby curtains, paper, flammable liquids, bedding or clothing that come to close to a hot halogen lamp can be ignited, resulting in a serious fire. Some American universities have already banned halogen pole lamps from dormitories. In 1995, the \$90 million fire at Windsor Castle in eh U./K. was caused when a halogen lamp ignited cleaning fluid. Here are some safety tips when using halogen lamps:

· Never allow a halogen lamp to be placed where the tubular bulb could come into contact with curtains, paper, elevated beds, bedding, flammable liquids or any other combustible materials.

· Place halogen lamps where children, pets or strong drafts from open windows cannot tip them.
• Always turn off halogen lamps when you

leave the room or your home.

· For lamps equipped with a dimmer switch, set the lamp at a lower setting whenever possi-

Smoke is responsible for three out of four deaths

Install smoke detectors on every level of your home and outside of sleeping areas.

Test every detector at least once a month. [See your instruction book for the location of the

Keep smoke detectors dust free. Replace batteries with new ones at least once a year, or sooner if the detector makes a chirping sound.

If you have a smoke detector directly wired into your electrical system, be sure that the little signal light is blinking periodically. This tells you that the alarm is active. Inexpensive smoke detectors are available for the hearing impaired.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

They remain your best bet if you're on the spot when a fire begins.

Fire extinguishers should be mounted in the kitchen, garage, and workshop.

Purchase an ABC type extinguisher for extinguishing all types of fires. Learn how to use your fire extinguisher before there is an emergency.

Remember, use an extinguisher on small fires only. If there is a large fire, get out immediately and call 911 from another location.



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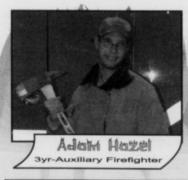
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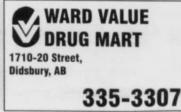














HINKING AHEAD: Your Exit Plan

As with other things, the best motto is, "Be Prepared.

Prepare a floor plan of your home showing at least two ways out of each room.

Sleep with your bedroom door closed. In the event of fire, it helps to hold back heat and smoke. But if a door feels hot, do not open it; escape through another door or window.

Easy-to-use window escape ladders are available through many catalogues and outlet stores. For instance, First Alert sells one for around \$90.

Agree on a fixed location out-of-doors where family members are to gather for a head count.

Stay together away from the fire. Call 911 from another location. Make certain that no one goes back inside the burning build

Check corridors and stairways to make sure they are free of obstructions and

To help cut down on the need for an emer gency exit in the first place, clear all un necessary items from the attic, basement, garage, and closets.

FIREPLACE

Remember, you're deliberately bringing fire into your home; respect it.

Use a fireplace screen to prevent sparks from flying.

Don't store newspapers, kindling, or matches near the fireplace or have an ex posed rug or wooden floor right in front of the fireplace.

Have your chimney inspected by a profes sional prior to the start of every heating season and cleaned to remove combustible creosote build-up if necessary.

Install a chimney spark arrester to prevent

When lighting a gas fireplace, strike your match first, then turn on the gas.

FURNACE/SPACE HEATERS

Used improperly, a space heater can be the most dangerous appliance in your house.

Install and maintain heating equipment correctly. Have your furnace inspected by a professional prior to the start of every heat

Don't store newspapers, rags, or other combustible materials near a furnace, hot wa

ter heater, space heater, etc. Don't leave space heaters operating when

you're not in the room. Keep space heaters at least three feet away from anything that might burn, including the wall.

Don't use extension cords with electrical space heaters. The high amount of current they require could melt the cord and start

When lighting a gas space heater, strike your match first, then turn on the gas.

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Remax is inviting families to a free family swim

Wed. Oct. 12

The Pot luck dinner at the 5-0 Centre starts at 12:30 p.m. Please bring veggies, salad or dessert to compliment the meat (turkey) already supplied.

Thurs. Oct. 13

This is the afternoon for seniors to gather at Eldon Foote Hall from 1:00 p.m. You will enjoy the activities and the hall is wheelchair accessible. If you need a ride, please phone Lois at the office 335-4391.

Fri. Oct. 14

Cribbage play starts at 7:00 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre. You are welcome to join in the cards, the visiting and the coffee and goodies served.

Oct. 15 & Sun. Oct. 16

Free curling clinic will be held starting at 10:00 a.m. each day. Sat. is for Regular Curlers and Sun. is for Stick Curlers. Curling will start on Mon. Oct. 17 with the Seniors daytime draws, mixed on Mon. evenings. Tues. is for Stick Curling and Tues. evening Men's, Wed. is La dies evening. The Stick Curling Sun. night league will start Sun. Oct. 16th. The "Green Spiel" is being held Oct. 21 - 23 so you have time to get your team together for lots of fun.

Sat. Oct. 15

The Olds Legion is having a big celebration tonight starting with cocktails at 5:00, dinner at 6:00, dance and show at 7:30 p.m., to honor Veterans of War, 60th Ann, of the End of War and the 75th Ann. of the Olds Legion. Tickets at the office cut off date Oct.

Sun. Oct. 16

The Lacombe team will play against the Mountain View Colts at the Didsbury Arena at 2:00 p.m. Your home team will appreciate your support.

Sun. Oct. 16

Remax is inviting families to a free family swim at the Aquatic Centre from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

eral meeting of the 5-0 Club at 1:30 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre. All members urged to attend to help take care of the business matters. New memberships for 2006 are also due.

Tues. Oct. 18

Chamber of Commerce and The Town
Brown Bag lunch meeting from 12 p.m. 1
p.m. at Eldon Foote
Hall. This is an Open Forum for discussion on community issues or concerns so everyone is welcome to join

Tues. Oct. 18

Doors open at 6:00 .m. for Bingo at the Elks Hall. Everyone welcome, the hall is

Fri. Oct. 21

This is family fun night at the Aquatic Centre. Enjoy pizza and pop at 6:00 p.m. and then swim from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Fun for all.

Sat. Oct. 22 Zion EM Church is hosting a Community breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in the Church gym. Special Speaker is Pat Nixon from the Mus-tard Seed Ministry. Donations gladly ap-

Sat. Oct. 22

The Mountain View Colts will host the Banff Team at 8:00 p.m. at the Didsbury Arena. Your cheers will help the team.

Sat. Oct. 22

KidSport - a local group trying to create opportunities for all kids to participate sports; is having a Fun Casino night at the MP Room in the Memorial Complex with registration and a social from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. and the Tournament will start then. Tickets are limited, so pick yours up today at Mountain View Motors or phone Pam Cameron at 335-4133.

Sat. Oct. 29

Aspen Ridge Lodge in Didsbury is having Tea & Bake Sale and a Craft Table at 2:00 p.m. This will be held in the dining room, "if you like pie, give us a Everyone wel-

Sun. Oct. 30

As you read this, circle this date on your calendar. St. Cyrpian's Anglican Church is having the Annual Roast Beef Dinner with sittings at 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Admission at the door. Everyone welcome.

It's that time of the year again for you to

get your flu shot. Tues. Oct. 18 - 9:00 7:30 p.m.

Didsbury Hospital Wed. Oct. 19 - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 Didsbury hospital p.m.

Wed. Oct. 26 - 9:30 m. - 3:30 p.m. a.m. Carstairs Half Century

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Fri. Nov. 4 - 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Cremona Gold and Silver Centre

Tues. & Wed. Nov. 8 9 - 9:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Hospital

All Carpet Bowlers; your league will play

on Fridays at 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. at the 5-0 Centre.

All Floor curlers your league will start

Wednesdays Thursdays also at 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. at Bowling Lawn Clubhouse.

What you need to know about

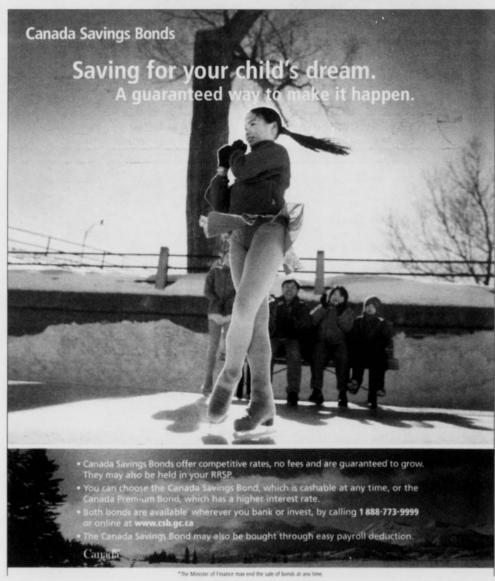
candle safety

- · Unattended candles are the cause of many fires in Alberta homes.
- The resulting property damage, injuries and fatalities are all preventable.
- Protect yourself and your family. When you go out, blow out!

For more information contact your local fire department, or call the Fire Commissioner's Office toll-free 310-0000 then dial 780-427-8392, or visit municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/fco.

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Local RCMP News Briefs

College Green Medical Center noticed some damage to their large sign on 20th avenue on October 3, 2005.

Damage could have occurred sometime during the month of September and owners are asking anyone with inasking anyone with in-formation to call Didsbury RCMP at (403) 335-3382. If you have any in-

formation about this crime or any other unsolved crime please call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Crime Stoppers pays

\$2000 for information that leads to an arrest, the recovery of stolen property or the seizure of illegal drugs.

Crime Stoppers does not subscribe to call display and your call is anonymous.

On October 2nd, 2005 three saddles were stolen from an acreage east of highway 22 on the Carstairs Blind Line.

The three saddles are described as Crates Reining saddle dles

breast collar and bridle were also taken. It is suspected that suspects walked onto the property at night, broke into the locked tack room and took property.

If you should have any further information regarding this oc-currence please contact the Didsbury RCMP or Crimestoppers.

ber 5th, Sundre RCMP in conjunction with Search & Rescue continued their search for Mr. Tom Howell.

This included both ground and aerial searching. Several small teams were flown in by helicopter into the mountain range above where Mr. Howell's quad was located (last Saturday, Oct. 1st) Teams

dle and low elevations and included the drainage systems of the Bighorn Creek and Timber Creek. No further evidence or clues were located to indicate Mr. Howell's whereabouts.

Another search is planned for Saturday, October 8th, where the focus of the search will concentrate again on the area where the quad was located.

Anyone using this area, especially hunt-ers and back country horseback users are urged to report anything that may assist in this investigation. Primary areas include the Bighorn Creek and Creek Timber drainages North of the Yahha Tinda Ranch, and the East facing slope of the mountain range facing Limestone Mountain

Survivor **Didsbury**

Place - Didsbury Exhibition Grounds Indoor

When - Fri. Oct. 21/05

Time - Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Event starts at 7:30 p.m. Concession & beer gardens on site. Admission charge - adults only.

Have you put your team together (6 players) to outwit, outplay and outlast the other teams to be declared "Survivor Didsbury?" Only 8 teams will be accepted so call Connie now at the Ag. Society office 335-4494.

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The Committee for the recent D.H.S. Homecoming Reunion presented cheques for \$400 each, to several Didsbury organizations to assist them financially. Presenters were Wynne Wollen Vice Chair, Erna McCafferty, Treasurer & members Bill Parker, Doreen McEwen & Gwyn Thompson. Receiving the cheques were Brittany Derksen, Robyn Nadeau & Lisa Misner for the D.H.S. Band Society, Inez Kosinski for the Didsbury Library, Willard Swalm for the 5-0 Club, Tyrone Patten for the Museum & Sharon Israelson & Elaine McCoy for the Reunion Committee. Reunion Committee.

They hope to have their next Reunion in 2007.

These Reunions have been going on every few years since 1961, we hope there will be many more. The retiring Committee wishes them every success.

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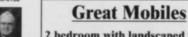


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Focus on the Family



QUESTION: My little boy always wants to know far I will let him go. Once he has tested me and found I'm serious about what I say, he'll usually cooperate at that point. What is going on in his mind?

DR. DOBSON: Your child, like most other kids, has a great need to know where behavioral boundaries are and who has the courage to enforce them. Let me illustrate how that works.

Years ago, during the early days of the progressive education movement, an enthusiastic theorist decided to take down the chain-link fence that surrounded a nursery school yard. He thought the children would feel more freedom of move-ment without that visible barrier surrounding them. When the fence was removed, however, the boys and girls huddled near the center of the play yard. Not only did they not wander away; they didn't even venture to the edge of the grounds. Clearly, there is a security for all of us in defined boundaries. That's why a child will push a parent to the point of exaspera-tion at times. He's testing the resolve of his parents and ex-ploring the limits of his world.

ploring the limits of his world.

Do you want further evidence of this motivation? Consider the relationships within a family where the dad is a firm but loving disciplinarian, the mother is indecisive and weak, and the child is a strong-willed spitfire. Notice how the mother is pushed, challenged, sassed, disobeyed and insulted, but the father can bring order with a word or two. What is going on here? Simply that the child understands and accepts Dad's strength. The limits are clear. There is no reason to test him again. But Mom has established no rules, and she is fair game.

again. But Mom has established no rules, and she is fair game for a fight — every day if necessary.

The very fact that your child accepts the boundaries you have set tells you that he or she respects you. But that young-ster will test the outer limits occasionally to see if the fence is

QUESTION: My 5-year-old is a rambunctious kid who gives us fits. There are times when I think he's trying to take over the entire family. I've never really understood him be-fore, but I guess he just doesn't want anyone telling him what

DR. DOBSON: That is precisely how he feels. It is sur-ising how commonly this basic impulse of children is overlooked. Indeed, I think the really tough kids understand the struggle for control even better than their parents, who are bogged down with adult responsibilities and worries.

Children devote their primary effort to the power game, while we grown-ups play only when we must. Sometime you might ask a group of children about the adults who lead them. They will instantly tell you, with one voice, which grown-ups are skilled in handling them and which aren't. Every school-child can name the teachers who are in control and those who are intimidated by kids.

One father overheard his 5-year-old daughter, Laura, say to her little sister who was doing something wrong: "Mmmm, I'm going to tell Mommy on you. No! I'll tell Daddy. He's worse!" Laura had evaluated the authority of her two parents and concluded that one was more effective than the other.

This same child was observed by her father to have become

This same child was observed by her father to have become especially disobedient and defiant. She was irritating other family members and looking for ways to avoid minding her parents. Her dad decided not to confront her directly, but to punish her consistently for every offense until she settled down. Thus, for three or four days, he let Laura get away with nothing. She was spanked, stood in the corner and sent to her bedroom. Near the end of the fourth day, she was sitting on the bed with her father and younger sister. Without provocation, Laura pulled the hair of the toddler who was looking at a book. Her dad promptly thumped her on the bottom with a book. Her dad promptly thumped her on the bottom with his large hand. Laura did not cry, but sat in silence for a moment or two, and then said, "Hurrummph! None of my tricks are working!"

This is the conclusion you want your strong-willed son to draw: "It's too risky to take on Mom or Dad, so let's get with the program.

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Didsbury Curling News

by Marge St. Clair

Mon. Oct. 3

Curling registration started at 7:00 p.m. at the Curling Club lounge. It was great to see so many new faces for all leagues and all the faithfuls returning for another year.

And a great change has been made. Nick & Linda Baran and Ursula Krebs are the new managers of the Concession and Bar. They will bring in staff when nec essary (bonspiels etc.) The curlers will no longer be required to work designated shifts.

will certainly be

treated to some tasty treats as was the case tonight with "appetizer plates

Homemade soup and a va-riety of sandwiches or buno-wiches will be a specialty. The public is invited to come and enjoy these on Mondays and Tuesdays when daytime curling is on.

Evenings, there will be a great array of sandwiches, tasty burgers & fries and appetizer plates to choose from. Our curling schedule

Mondays - Seniors daytime; Mixed evenings

Tuesdays - Stick Curling daytime; Mens evenings

Wednesdays - Ladies evening

Juniors - Mons. & Weds. after school

Sunday - Stick Curling evening.

There is a free curling clinic Sat. Oct. 15 starting at 10:00 a.m for regular curlers. Sunday Oct. 16 is a free clinic for Stick Curlers starting at 10:00 a.m. and the Opening "Green Spiel" is Oct. 21 - 23.

Rick Phillips is returning as ice maker, so all curlers know, the ice will be in mint condition. Enjoy the season ahead.





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County council discusses future of Lord's Prayer

by Shawne Mohl

Mountain View County council is probably one of the very few council's which open up their meetings with the Lord's Prayer, before they sit down to hack out the different issues councillors are faced with. However, the future of Lord's Prayer was brought into question at council's last meeting.

Since a number of the policies are being re-written as the County goes through a major overhaul, Reeve Al Kemmere asked if it can be put somewhere in policy that the Lord's Prayer remain on council agendas.

"I think the Lord's Prayer is important and I would like to see it remain on the agenda," Kemmere said. Despite Kemmere not

bringing the issue up to really be debated, every councillor - many of whom hold strong religious beliefs spoke up in support of keeping the prayer around.
"I am in full support of

keeping it on the agenda, but a lot of schools have taken it out," said Councillor Kathy Blain, adding that she would hate to see council chal-lenged on the issue by someone who doesn't have

the same religious beliefs. Councillor Arnie Shea echoed the words of Blain, saying: "The issue is debat-able. I think we need to take a real strong, strong look at the code of ethics.

The County's Interim Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Doug Plamping advised council that they might not want to put anything 'reli-gious' in policy, as it could be challenged by future councillors who might not have the same religious beliefs as the current or past councils.

Plamping advised council that it was fine to start the meetings off with the Lord's Prayer, as long as all councillors agreed - and just make it common practice.

Council agreed with Plamping, and has just agreed to continue opening up their meetings with the Lord's Prayer, making it com-

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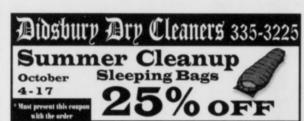
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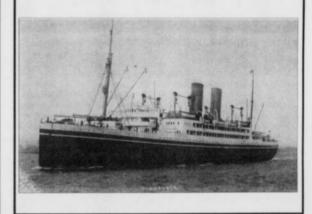
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NEIGHBORHOOD

Strategic plan implementations shouldn't increase taxes: Councillor Shea

by Shawne Mohl

Arnie Shea, Mountain View County councillor for division 5, cautioned his fellow council members on what they approve out of the strategic business plan, saying that he is opposed to increasing the tax line in 2006

We cannot venture into any type of increase," Shea said, explaining that he be-lieves the agriculture sector just can't handle any extra expenses, since many people are still trying to recover from flooding, the BSE criand low prices in general for their products

With more expenses than there is money Shea ex-pressed his concerns during last Wednesday's Policies and Priorities meeting, October 5

One of the items on council's agenda was to take another look at the draft Strategic Business Plan for the County, which in itself has a number of very expen-sive projects that council would like to implement as fast as possible. However, the question is - how are the

projects going to be funded. One of the items which council discussed, which is one of council's strategic municipal development plan (MDP) bylaw.

There was some sugge tion by members of council have the MDP completely re-written; however, that comes with a hefty

price tag all on its own. Reeve Al Kemmere esti mates that a new MDP would cost at least \$100,000 a cost which he says might not be justified if the current MDP can just be tweaked.

"Let's sit down with planning and see what we are lacking then decide if we want to move forward, Kemmere said.

Division One councillor Gwen Day agreed with both Kemmere and Shea, saving that she agrees council and administration need to sit down with planning before going ahead with re-writing such an expensive by-law that is probably one of the most important documents.

"I also think we need to be fiscally responsible, especially with the funds we have already spent (once on creating a MDP)," Day

Division 4 councillor Kathy Blain touched on another goal of council which is to get more money put into reserves.

The County had approximately \$3.8 million in the bank, prior to agreeing to pull out just over \$230,000 to fund past Chief Administrative Officer's (CAO) sev erance pay, Johnsrude. Harold

Blain, who was one of four councillors who voted to oust Johnsrude, says that council needs to sit down and figure out how they can get as many projects done, without increasing taxes as well as still getting money banked into re-

"We need to find a way to replenish our reserves," Blain said. "Be it in-house cutbacks or whatnot, we need to find a way.

However, it may be difficult for council to find areas to cut back considering the Corporate Review re-cently conducted by George Cuff and Associates recom-mending to bring on more staff, especially in the senior areas, to run the operation - not cut back.

Reeve Kemmere agrees that getting money in the bank for rainy days is important, but says he is scratching his head how everything is going to get done while holding the tax

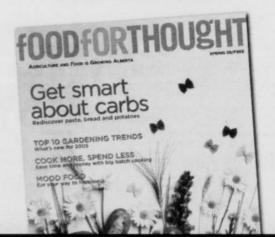
we are going to do all of this," Kemmere questioned. "I would like to keep our increase as

minimal as possible, but I am not sure how we can do both meaning keep taxes down and put money into reserves.

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The tribute was given by his children. He is survived by his wife, Lois; sons: Mark (Heather), Philip (Mary Lynn), and Timothy; daughters, Erlene (Gordon Kehler) and Margaret (Lorne Holderbein); grandson, John (Jolene) and great-granddaughter, Rachel Marie; granddaughters: Cheryl Baughman and Tracy (Jesse Schellenberg) and Holderbein. Cliff is also survived by his brothers: Lloyd, of Olds, AB, Howard (Leone), of Bowden, AB, and Harvey (Eleanor), of Bergen, AB; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Samuel and Oline Baughman. Cliff pastored churches in B.C., Alberta, and Saskatchewan. Then he became Pastor to seniors and shut-ins for 25 years at Eastside Church of God. He also was a tax consultant for 30 years. He was first of all a devoted child of God; a loving husband, father and grandfather, and avid gardener. Cliff had a unique connection with the Palliser as he had led a Bible Study there for over 20 years. He had known the residents and staff a long time and in a sense continued his ministry of prayer with them when he went there to live, when he could no longer be cared for at home. In his memory, friends may make donations to Eastside Church of God Building Fund, Box 487, Swift Current, SK S9H 3W3, or to the Alzheimer's Association of Saskatchewan, 301 12th Ave., Regina, SK, S4P3X1. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Parkside Memorial Funeral Home, Swift Current, Saskatchewan.

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The "net average" results

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The discrepancy in-

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An Executive decision (no pun intended) was made

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INFORMATION

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